

## Spring 2008 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC and LEAPS Grant Competitions

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### ***Does the school have to be a Title I school to be eligible for funding?***

No, but the school does have to meet the 40% free/reduced lunch rate or economically disadvantaged status in order to participate in the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC project. For LEAPs, at least 50% of students served must meet the required at-risk criteria.

#### ***May the grantee take students out of state boundaries for field trips using these funds?***

No; activities must be held or sites visited within state boundaries.

#### ***May grantees take students out of school early to take a fieldtrip?***

Maybe leaving only an hour early would be OK. Clear those issues with the appropriate LEA personnel.

#### ***How many hours per week must we provide services?***

No minimum for 21<sup>st</sup> Century, but the state department strongly encourages 12 hours per week. LEAPs requires 15 hours per week of service offered to students.

#### ***How many copies of the application must be submitted?***

One (1) original signature copy and four (4) duplicate copies are required.

#### ***Do we include matching funds in our budget proposal?***

No, matching funds are not required for either grant, but you are requested to include contribution of resources as part of your budget narrative.

#### ***May LEAPs serve four-year-olds or students who turn 5 after Sept. 30?***

LEAPs requires that participants be 5-18 yrs old and enrolled in school; any student meeting this requirement may participate. 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC may serve 4 year olds who will enter school in the following fall.

#### ***If one school in a grant application does not meet the 40% economically disadvantaged requirement, but the others do, may they all be included in the grant?***

Any school that does not meet the 40% requirement cannot be included in the 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC project.

#### ***May we pay for the bookkeeper our of grant funds?***

Yes, any needed salaries may be covered by grant funds. If a staff member works with more than one program, the salary should be pro-rated for only the time spent on the afterschool project.

***Do summer sessions and Christmas break sessions count in the 180 days required for the LEAPs grant?***

No. You must serve the students every day that school is in session. You may factor in extra days if you'd like.

***If the YMCA, school district, etc., want to place several sites on one application, is this permissible? Must all sites submit a separate application?***

It is permissible for a YMCA region or a school district to submit an application with several sites provided all of the sites meet the grant requirements. The individual sites do not have to submit separate applications.

***Is reimbursement of funds based on daily attendance?***

No, reimbursement is based on allowable expenditures for the time period covered in the payment request. Student numbers are used to determine the initial funding request for the LEAPs grant.